



May 25, 2011

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The Urban League of Portland is one of the region's most respected social service and civil rights organizations, operating for almost 70 years. It is a nonprofit, community-based organization headquartered in north Portland and an affiliate of the National Urban League. The League helps empower African Americans and others to achieve equality in education, employment and economic security through a combination of direct services, outreach and advocacy.

Access to information, technology and opportunity are keys to empowerment. The Urban League of Portland supports the merger of AT&T and T-Mobile because their combined networks will provide better service and is arguably the most expeditious route to the next generation of mobile broadband services. Network infrastructure may appear to only be wires, cell towers and radio waves, but those wires and towers lead to jobs, education, better healthcare and meaningful connections.

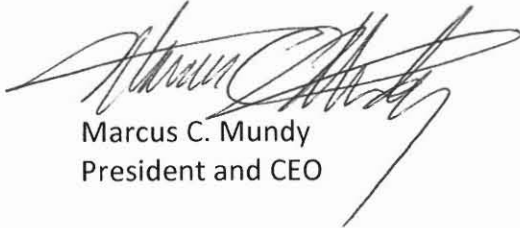
We are also encouraged by the combination of these two particular companies. AT&T has 42,000 unionized workers. T-Mobile employees will soon enjoy the same protections and bargaining power enjoyed by their represented colleagues at AT&T. Furthermore, AT&T has a strong commitment to increasing opportunities for women- and minority-owned businesses, and strives to ensure that AT&T workers reflect the demographics of the communities in which they serve. They will continue to work with the Urban League of Portland and others to hire, train and promote a diverse workforce.

The company was recently named "2010 Corporation of the Year" by the National Minority Supplier Council for AT&T's efforts to contract with African-American, Hispanic, Asian and Native American vendors throughout its supply chain. We anticipate the expansion of these relationships, as America's demographic is changing daily and AT&T remains responsive to its workforce and clientele.

AT&T is also instrumental in the Urban League's collective effort to focus on jobs nationwide, and in this region. Represented by Xavier Williams, Senior Vice President of AT&T's Business Solutions group, AT&T sponsored the unveiling of the 2011 National Urban League's State of Black America report on March 31 at Howard University in Washington, DC. This new partnership with T-Mobile, coupled with the continued support of the Urban League by AT&T, is a harbinger of a strengthening economy and more opportunity for communities.

We thank you for considering our comments in support of the AT&T/T-Mobile merger.

Sincerely,

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Marcus C. Mundy
President and CEO